1	2	3	4	5	6
19.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0
20.	Madhya Pradesh	26977	2143	26371	2093
21.	Maharashtra	6108	1	5856	0
22.	Manipur	515	1	493	0
23.	Meghalaya	904	3	889	2
24.	Mizoram	79	16	76	16
25.	Nagaland	68	0	68	0
26.	Orissa	5472	205	5323	179
27.	Puducherry	9	0	6-	0
28.	Punjab	3061	146	2918	143
29.	Rajasthan	23952	1	23072	1
30.	Sikkim	15	0	15	0
31.	Tamil Nadu	1598	30	1482	21
32.	Tripura	42	0	42	0
33.	Uttar Pradesh	6210	6561	5319	6476
34.	Uttaranchal	3216	103	3133	103
35.	West Bengal	3006	10	2671	4
	TOTAL:	122355	98%	117468	9700

Vocational/professional courses to the poor tribals

178. SHRI O.T LEPCHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have chalked out any planning for granting vocational/ professional education to the poor tribals in the country particularly in Sikkim;

(b) **if** so, the details thereof; and

(c) the effective measures being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Vocationalisation of Secondary Education, financial assistance is provided to State Governments including Sikkim for introduction of Vocational courses in 11th and 12th classes in the Government and Government aided schools. This facility is also extended to the poor tribals in the country.

Effect of expansion of economy on children

179. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether mere expansion of Indian economy will be able to address the issues relating to the plight of children who are suffering from under-nourishment, anaemia and basic schooling facilities;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have failed to provide guarantee to the right to education in many parts of the country; and

(c) if so, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) The National Nutritional Policy, 1993 states that *"Mere economic development, or even the adequacy of food at household levels, are no guarantees for a stable and satisfactory nutritional status. However, the overall development strategy of a country is likely to have a pronounced bearing on what nutritional planning can accomplish. ... Nutrition is a multi-sectoral issue and needs to be tackled at various levels. Nutrition affects development as much as development affects nutrition".*

(b) and (c) The 86th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2002 inserts Article 21-A in the Constitution which provides that *"the State shall provide free and compulsory education to all children of the age of six to fourteen years in such manner as the State may, by law, determine".* Section 1(2) of the 86th Constitutional Amendment Act provides that *"it shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in Official Gazeette, appoint".* This notification has not yet been issued pending enactment of the consequential legislation envisaged under Article 21-A. A draft Model Right to Education Bill, spelling out broad parameters and features for achieving the Constitutional mandate of free and compulsory education was drafted and circulated as framework to the States/Union Territories to seek their comments thereon.

Free education of poor children

180. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have provided subsidized land to private schools for giving free education to the children of poor people;

(b) if so, whether such schools are following the stipulated conditions; and

(c) if not, the action Government are taking against those schools which are not following the rules?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The State/Union Territory Governments allot land on concessional rates to institutions imposing certain conditions on them and these conditions vary from place to place. The monitoring and enforcement of the conditions imposed are the responsibility of the State/UT Governments concerned. On the basis of direction of the Delhi High Court dated 20.01.2004 to frame rules to provide 20 per cent freeship for children of economically weaker section in unaided private schools, which have been allotted land by the Government agencies, the Directorate of Education of Government of NCT of Delhi had issued an order dated 27.04.2004. On the basis of a fresh direction from the Delhi High Court, Government of